ME MYSELF
PRESENTED
VOLUME
FINAL CHAPTER
JAWS: SPIRIT OF OLD
JONES: RAYED AWARD

FINAL
CHAPTER

OPENING THE GATES NOW!
DON'T LET ANY OF THEM GET THROUGH!
CLEAR A PATH FOR THE KING!

GO TO THE MAIN CONTROL ROOM!
AND DON'T GET LOST!

THEY'VE ARRIVED...
THEY EVEN FORCED THE GATES OPEN!
—SO CRUCIATA ARE HELPING NARUSE KAZUKI OUT, HUH
KAZUKI

KAZUKI-KUN!!
YOU WILL NOT PASS!
LEAVE THIS TO ME!
GO, KAZUKI-KUN!!
NAOTO!

NEVER!
KH...
NAOTO!
BUT... YOU SHOULD GO WITH US!
KAZUKI-SAN
I WILL NEVER FORGIVE YOU IF YOU DIE!
KAZUKI KUN
I...

I AM YOUR OPPONENT!
I THOUGHT I'D BE OKAY DYING, IF IT WAS FOR YOUR SAKE
..
BUT YOU DON'T WANT THAT KIND OF THING.
"TWO KNIGHTS WON'T BE NEEDED."
I CAN ONLY RETURN THOSE WORDS TO YOU
I WILL...
FOR YOUR SAKE...
DEFINITELY SURVIVE!

WHY DO YOU HAVE THAT SAD LOOK ON YOUR FACE?
KAZUKI...?
KAZUKI... WHY...

!!
HOW MANY MORE PEOPLE...
KAZUKI-SAN...
HOW MANY MORE PEOPLE DO I HAVE TO KILL BEFORE THIS CAN END?
ICH

I GOT SICK OF WAITING
SION!!
RIP
SH..!
KAZUKI-SAN! YOU CAN'T!

REALLY, NOW...
WHAT WOULD YOU BOYS DO WITHOUT ME?
QUEEN KAREN?!
THIS VOICE...!
IT'S NICE TO FINALLY MEET YOU, KAZUKI

YOU WOULDN'T HAVE KNOWN THIS, BUT I AM THE ONLY QUEEN...
...I AM THE LAST MAIN PLAYER IN PI[E]CE...
...AND ONLY I HAVE THE LIBERTY OF PICKING THE KING THAT I FOLLOW
YOU'RE HELPING ME...?
IF IT'S YOU
YOU JUST MIGHT BE ABLE TO STOP HIM.
DON'T WORRY, KAZUKI. JUST GO
AMONG THE MAIN PLAYERS, I AM...

THE STRONGEST
THE STRONGEST, HUH...
BRING IT!!

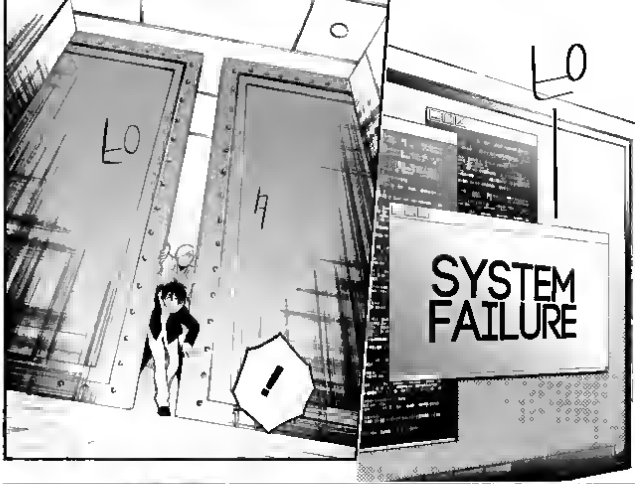
!

JUST GIVE UP ASSHOLES!
LOCKING THE LAST BLOCK DOWN NOW
LOCK
NAPUSE KAZUKI HAS MADE IT PAST 9 BLOCK

EIJI!
NOW!

YOUR SKILLS AREN'T ANYWHERE NEAR MINE!

I'LL WRECK IT ALL!


SYSTEM FAILURE
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I WON'T LET YOU DOWN!
CALM DOWN, SEIJI!
SHIT! THEY TOOK OVER THE SYSTEM HERE!

WAIT, YUKI!
I'LL GO WITH AND HELP

THERE'S NO NEED FOR YOU TO GO FIGHT
DIDN'T YOU SAY...
EH...?
...THAT YOU'D BE BY MY SIDE UNTIL THE END?

!?
YOU AREN'T GOING ANY FARTHER

PLEASE GO ON AHEAD
IF THE SYSTEM'S OPERATOR IS HERE—
—KOUTAKE HARUKI MUST BE JUST UP AHEAD
BUT...!
PLEASE DO AS I SAY
I WILL TAKE CARE OF HIM AND MEET YOU UP AHEAD

SION!
KAZUKI-SAN...I SWEAR TO YOU
I WILL NOT WASTE THIS LIFE THAT YOU GAVE ME!
YOU'RE QUITE THE TALKER!
I WILL DEFINITELY LIVE!
WE WILL SEE EACH OTHER SOON!

'COURSE WE WILL!
PLEASE LIVE !
EH..
SION..
THE GUYS AT CRUCIATA..
YUKI..!!
AND..
NAOTO..
FASTER..
EVEN JUST ONE SECOND FASTER..
FOR EVERYONE'S SAKES..!
THEY'RE ALL..
..FIGHTING FOR ME
WE'LL LEAVE OUR LIVES IN YOUR HANDS!

I WILL END D[E]CE!
WHY DO YOU THINK—
—IT WAS SO EASY TO JOIN MY SIDE?
—CH
THIS TIME, I WILL GET IT RIGHT...

...FAILING WITH RUKA THE FIRST TIME WAS ENOUGH
HARUKI...
WHY...?
...WHY?
WHY ..?
IT'S BECAUSE IT'S MY ROLE
SINCE I WAS BORN IT WAS DECIDED THAT EACH TIME
...I WOULD ..

...I HAVE TO DO MY BEST TO DIRECT ALL OF KAZUKI'S HATE AND ANGER TOWARDS ME
AND TO THAT END...
...DIE BY KAZUKI'S HAND
AND TAKING AWAY ALL OF HIS LOVED ONES WOULD BE THE BEST WAY TO GET HIM TO WANT TO KILL ME, DON'T YOU THINK?
WITH THAT "THIS" D[E]CE WILL END...
THE OUTCOME WAS DECIDED FROM THE START
...
I HAVE NO FREE WILL HERE, BUT...
THAT DOESN'T BOTHER ME
BESIDES...

IF THAT IS HOW IT IS...
THAT'S
HARUKI!
ITKI!
THAT'S JUST...
HARUKI... YOU'RE...
I...
...COULD NEVER TAKE KAZUKI'S LIFE...

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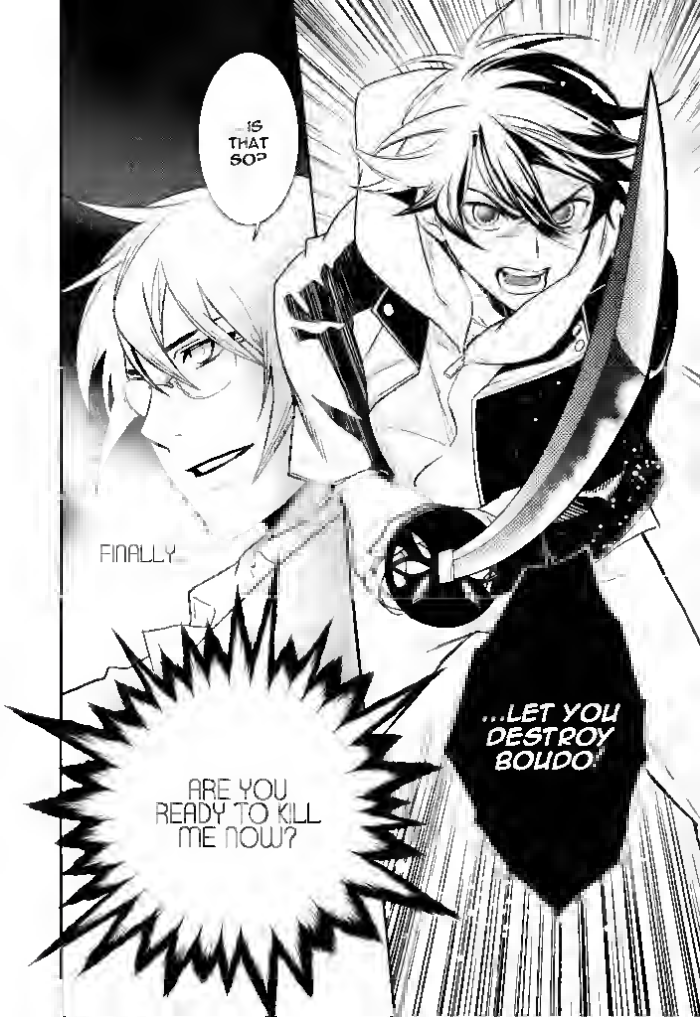
PA-
THETIC
REA
LLY...
.....
.....
YU
..KI?

YOU'RE TOO LATE.
YUKI...!
YU...KI
IF YOU HAD JOINED ME FROM THE START, NOBODY WOULD HAVE DIED
UNFOR-TUNATELY...
GLENCH
...!
NOW THEY WILL ALL BE PREY FOR THOSE STUDENTS SOON

WAS THAT D[E]ICE WITH ALL THOSE GOO STUDENTS FUN FOR YOU?
THE PEOPLE, THE CITY, ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING...
THE TRUE D[E]ICE STARTS SOON, AND IT'LL BE EVEN MORE ENJOYABLE
I WILL DESTROY ALL OF IT!
I WON'T

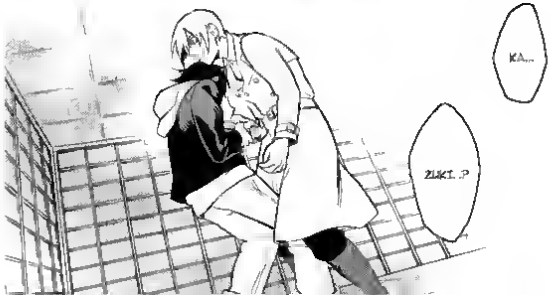

IS THAT SO?
FINALLY
ARE YOU READY TO KILL ME NOW?
...LET YOU DESTROY BOUDO!

CAN YOU HEAR ME?!
HEY! KING! CALM DOWN!
SHIT... AT THIS RATE...
TO CHANGE THE ICE, WE HAVE GOT TO CHANGE ITS END
NAMELY...
I'VE ONLY BEEN ABLE TO DEDUCE ONE THING
WHERE YOU KILL KOUTAKE HARUKI
KAZUKI, DON'T!
YOU CANNOT KILL HIM!

IF YOU DO, THIS WILL END JUST LIKE BEFORE!
THRUST

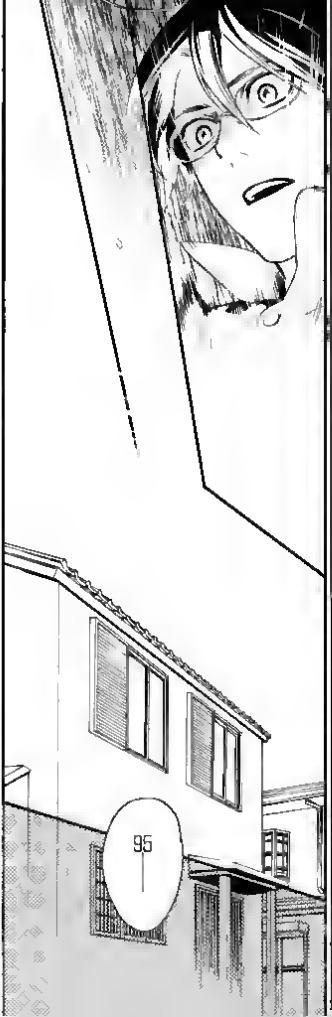
COUGH
SH...

YANKS


KA...
ZUKI..?

THIS D[E]ICE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE LIKE THE REST!
I HAVE TO BE THE ONE THAT DIES!
I...
I HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU'RE THE ONE WHO LIVES!
NO
THIS...
WHY ?
THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING!
DION'T I SAY...?

T/N: "NII-SAN" IS WRITTEN WITH THE CHARACTERS FOR "HARUKI"



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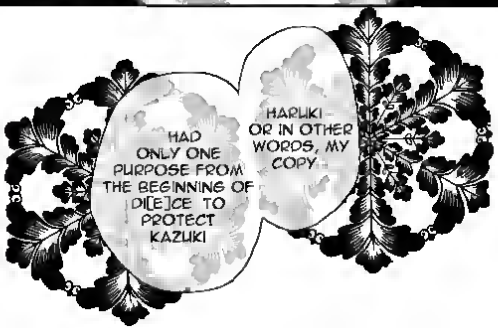
KACHI
NARUSE KAZUKI?
THAT'S RIGHT

HARUKI
YOU AREN'T ALLOWED TO DIE!
HARUKI
...OH...
IT'S JUST LIKE A GAME!
SO THERE'LL BE A RESET, RIGHT...?

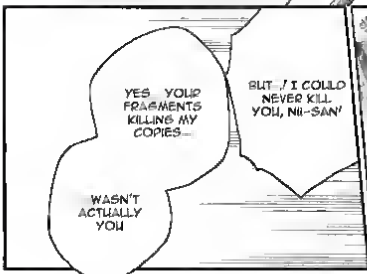
A KING HAS NEVER BEEN ELIMINATED SO QUICKLY BY THE KANSHOUSHA BEFORE
KAZUKI...
WERE THEY TRYING TO PREVENT BOUDO'S DESTRUCTION?
OR WERE THEY ORDERED BY THOSE WHO'D BET ON HARUKI WINNING?
HARUKI ACTED JUST AS HE WAS PROGRAMMED TO
UJE CAN STILL RESET...


HAD ONLY ONE PURPOSE FROM THE BEGINNING OF DI[E]CE TO PROTECT KAZUKI
HARUKI OR IN OTHER WORDS, MY COPY

WHY...?

SO WHEN KANSHOUSHA TRIED TO KILL KAZUKI...
HAPUKI OFFERED HIMSELF UP...
AND ONCE D[E]CE BEGAN
HE DID EVERYTHING IN HIS POWER TO GET KAZUKI TO KILL HIM

I...
...DECIDED I WOULDN'T KILL YOU AGAIN


YES... YOUR FRAGMENTS KILLING MY COPIES...
WASN'T ACTUALLY YOU
BUT.../ I COULD NEVER KILL YOU, NII-SAN!

EACH TIME D[E]CE REPEATS, ONE OF YOUR FRAG-MENTS KILLS ONE OF MY COPIES...
TENS OF THOUSANDS OF TIMES...

I TRIED TO PUT THE YOU THAT MADE THESE CHOICES BACK TOGE-THER
AND THE YOU THAT COULDN'T KILL ME
THE YOU THAT TRIED TO STOP ME
I'LL HAVE TO START DI[E]CE ALL OVER AGAIN
I NEED TO MAKE ANOTHER COPY
WHAT AM I MISSING?
HOW CAN I FIX SARYUU?
BUT NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I REPEATED DI[E]CE, OR HOW MUCH I STUDIED IT I COULDN'T DO IT
I'VE BEEN FIXED
IT'S ME
BUT RIGHT NOW— YOU

HARUKI'S BODY WAS RESET, BUT THE EMOTIONAL WOUNDS OF THOSE TWO WEREN'T HEALED
HAD THE PAIN OF SEEING HARUKI GET MURDERED BURNED IN HIS MEMORY
WHEN KAZUKI...
IT ALL REGAIN THERE
ALTHOUGH I SHOULD HAVE DELETED THE MEMORIES...
IT LOOKS LIKE THEY WEREN'T ALL ERASED
DON'T SHOW ME THOSE KINDS OF HEADACHES!
JUST LIKE IN BRAIN SURGICAL
AND SO, IN DI[E]CE, KAZUKI LEARNED ABOUT THE VALUE OF LIFE
KAZUKI WAS STILL TERRIFIED OF LOSING HARUKI...
AND THE PAIN OF HARUKI'S DEATH REMAINED LATENT

...THERE'S SOMETHING THAT ONLY YOU COULD DO, SAGYU!!!
I'VE WAITED FOR YOUR RECOVERY ALL THIS TIME...
...SO THAT I COULD BECOME WHOLE AGAIN
MY INCOMPLETE COPIES REMAINED UNTIL I WAS FULLY REGENERATED, BUT THEY WERE STILL CONNECTED TO MY PAST SELF...
KILL ME
JUST LIKE HOW I KILLED YOU
THIS WAS A PROMISE THAT I HAVE TO PROTECT
I WAS THE ONE KEEPING IT ALL IN ORDER IN SOUDO
THE CONCEPT OF FINITE LIVES
"LIMIT"..
I KNOW YOU CAN'T RETURN LIFE TO THE WAY IT WAS AT THE START
HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO SAY IT?! I COULD NEVER KILL YOU, NII-SAN!

T/N "SOARD" IS READ WITH THE KANJI FOR "HOUDO"

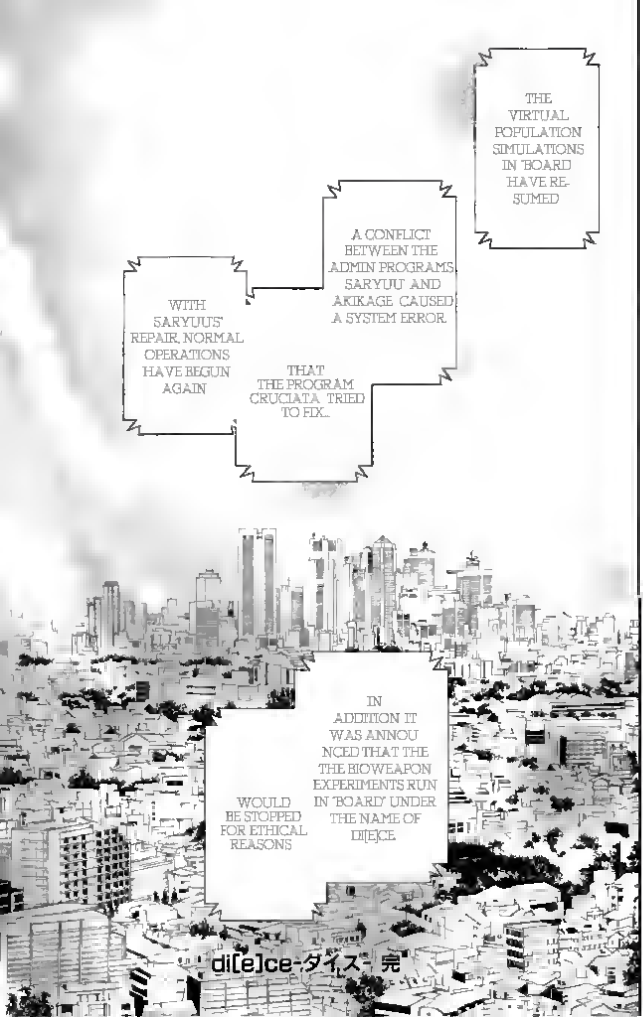
NOW I UNDER-STAND WHAT YOU MEANT WITH THAT, SARYUU
YOU CAN ONLY HAVE ONE LIFE—
IF THE "LIMIT" DOES NOT EXIST THE WORLD CAN REPEAT THIS LIFE/DEATH CYCLE UNUSUALLY FAST BUT THAT DOESN'T COME WITHOUT STRAIN

BUT...
IN THE END...
...JUST ONCE MORE...

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, KAZUKI AND HARUKI!
ON THREE!
ONE
TWO
SORRY, SORRY!
AH THAT'S RIGHT
WE SHOULDN'T BE MAKING NOISE HERE EVEN IF IT IS LUNCH TIME!
AH!
THE WEATHER SURE IS NICE TODAY HUH
DOESN'T LOOK LIKE IT'LL SNOW
まあ?
SNOW? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT. IT'S BARELY NOVEMBER
HM?
THAT'S.. RIGHT

!?
FOR A 16-YEAR OLD YOU'RE KINDA REAL CRAZY
YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT!
CRAZY, YOU SAY
WAIT...
SION, LET'S GO!
COMING!
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
HE..IN ACQUAIN-T..INCE OF YOURS?
WHERE DO I KNOW THAT PERSON FROM

I MUST'VE IMAGINED IT
...NAH
DELETE
...AN ACQUAIN TANCE?
ALL MEMORIES OF DI[E]CE HAVE NOW BEEN DE-LETED
THIS IS GOOD, ISN'T IT? NII-SAN?
YES...
BOUDO NO LONGER HAS ANY NEED OF DI[E]CE
AND IN OTHER NEWS..


THE VIRTUAL POPULATION SIMULATIONS IN 'BOARD' HAVE RESUMED
A CONFLICT BETWEEN THE ADMIN PROGRAMS, SARYUU' AND 'AKIKAGE' CAUSED A SYSTEM ERROR.
WITH SARYUU'S' REPAIR, NORMAL OPERATIONS HAVE BEGUN AGAIN
THAT THE PROGRAM CRUCIATA TRIED TO FIX...
IN ADDITION IT WAS ANNOU NCED THAT THE THE BIOWEAPON EXPERIMENTS RUN IN 'BOARD' UNDER THE NAME OF DI[E]CE
WOULD BE STOPPED FOR ETHICAL REASONS
di[e]ce-ダイス- 完